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## REPORT.

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To His Excellency W. MURRAY CRANE, *Governor of the Commonwealth.*

The Board of Commissioners of the Firemen's Relief Fund presents herewith its eleventh annual report.

Notwithstanding the most rigid examination of each claim presented, the last meeting of the fiscal year closed with a deficit of \$741. Additional claims for injuries previous to June 1, amounting to \$830.50, were received too late for action, making the actual deficit \$1,571.50. In view of the fact that the overdraft of \$773.50 for the previous year was assumed by the State Firemen's Association, and the year 1900-1901 begun without any outstanding liabilities, the choice of one of these two methods seems inevitable: to reduce the allotment for injured firemen and minor children of firemen killed in the service, or present all facts and conditions to the Legislature and endeavor to secure an increased appropriation. At the outset \$1.50 per day was paid all disabled firemen for a period not exceeding 100 days. Later, such permanent men as had their pay continued during disability were reduced to \$1 per day. The past year has also witnessed the abolition of the \$100 formerly paid for the funeral expenses of a fireman killed while in the discharge of his duties. The weekly payment for minor children of a fireman who lost his life in discharge of fire duty is \$2. The members of the Board are unanimous in their opinion that further reductions are impracticable, if the fund is to serve the purpose for which it was created. As for three consecutive years the appropriation of \$10,000 by the Commonwealth has been insufficient to adjust all valid claims, there seems to be no alternative but to endeavor to secure an increase of appropriation.

No worthy cause has ever appealed to Massachusetts in vain, and it is believed that the same generous, warm-hearted response that has characterized the past will be forthcoming to meet the present exigency.

#### MINOR CHILDREN.

Although the disbursement to minor children under fifteen years of age now approximates \$3,500 a year, this feature is deserving of the most cordial commendation. In many cases the weekly payment of \$2 has served in keeping children with their mothers and giving them the benefit of public schools, whereas without it they might have become a public charge, and the State or municipality be compelled to assume the cost of their maintenance through other channels. In a way they may be considered under the guardianship of the Board, inasmuch as the treasurer personally inquires into their condition at each payment. Reference to the list will show that the number of these wards will diminish very slowly, even without new accessions, since so many of them are to be carried on the list for so long a time before reaching the age limit.

#### ELIGIBILITY.

During the year an important question came before the Board for decision; that question was the legal interpretation and meaning of section 4 of chapter 177, legislative Acts of 1892. This is the statute law under which this Board acts. The section reads as follows: —

The officers and members in active service of all incorporated protective departments, acting in concert with fire departments, also any person doing fire duty at the request, or upon the order of the authorities of any town having no organized fire department, and any person performing the duties of a fireman in a town having no organized fire department, shall be eligible for benefits from this fund.

On June 4, 1900, a fire occurred in Foxborough (the burning of the town hall). At this fire three men were killed and one was severely injured. Of the men killed, only one was a member of the Foxborough fire department. For this case the funeral benefit of \$100 was allowed. The other



two men killed and the man injured were men impressed into the service. At the monthly meeting of this Board, held June 26, 1900, the claims for all of these cases were presented and considered. As stated above, the claim for the regular member of the fire department was allowed. For the remaining claims from Foxborough for the fire of June 4, 1900, the Board passed the following:—

*Voted*, That it appears, by a supplemental affidavit sent with the claims from Foxborough, that at a fire in Foxborough, June 4, 1900, the claimants were impressed into the fire service by the proper authorities; and inasmuch as section 4 of chapter 177, legislative Acts of 1892, does not provide for compensation for injuries in such cases of impressed service, but only for towns having no organized fire department, that under the provisions of said section and chapter this Board cannot allow compensation on either of the claims. And further *voted*, That under the provisions of chapter 177, Acts of 1892, the claims have no standing with this Board.

At the meeting of the Board held Aug. 29, 1900, a communication from the parties interested was read. This communication asked for a reconsideration of the cases. The Board reviewed the claims, and unanimously voted to adhere to the decision made and recorded June 26, 1900.

Again, at the meeting of Dec. 5, 1900, another letter from the parties interested was read, requesting the Board to again take the claims under consideration, and again the Board unanimously voted that the original decision must be adhered to.

Each member of the Board firmly believed that the decision on the Foxborough cases was in strict accordance with the statute; yet, at the meeting held Jan. 9, 1901, it was decided to submit the whole question, with all the papers and the records of the meetings thereon, to the Attorney-General for an opinion. The Board did this in order to know positively whether its decisions were right or wrong.

On Feb. 5, 1901, the Attorney-General rendered the following opinion, by which it will be seen that the action and decision of the Board in the Foxborough cases are fully sustained:—

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,

BOSTON, Feb. 5, 1901.

J. C. CROMBIE, *Chairman, Lawrence, Mass.*

DEAR SIR: — Your letter of January 21 requires my opinion upon the question whether certain persons referred to in the papers annexed to the letter are entitled to relief under the provisions of St. 1892, c. 177, relating to the Firemen's Relief Fund, of which your Board has the disbursement.

It appears by the documents submitted that a disastrous fire occurred in Foxborough in June last. Foxborough is a town which had at the time an organized fire department. Some of the regular members of the fire department were absent, and in consequence of the fierceness of the fire the men in question were impressed into the service by the engineers, and received their injuries while performing the duties of firemen.

The chapter in question provides, in section 2, that the fund shall be used "for the relief of firemen." It provides further, in section 4, that members of incorporated protective departments shall be eligible for benefits; and also "any person doing fire duty at the request or upon the order of the authorities of any town having no organized fire department."

It is obvious that the word "firemen" in the first section does not mean any person who is engaged in extinguishing a fire. Otherwise, there would have been no occasion for the language above quoted in the 4th section, which includes, in addition to "firemen," persons doing fire duty where there is no organized fire department. It follows that the meaning of the word "firemen" must be sought in the statutes.

Pub. Sts., c. 35, §§ 28–39, inclusive, authorize the selectmen of a town to establish a fire department, and provide for the method of creating the same. Section 31 limits the number of men to be employed on the several engines, hose carriages and hook and ladder carriages, as well as in each fire company. These companies, by section 2, may organize themselves, elect officers, establish rules and regulations, and annex penalties for the breach of the same. They may also have certain exemptions from other public duties, such as jury duty (Pub. Sts., c. 170, § 2). These rights and privileges are doubtless conferred in consideration of the fact that they have volunteered to hold themselves in readiness at all times, seasonable or unseasonable, to perform what may often be a hazardous and difficult task.

I see no reason to doubt that the purpose of the statute establishing the Firemen's Relief Fund was further to recognize their

services by compensating them for injuries received in the performance of their duty. It was the intent of the Legislature to encourage men to enlist in organized fire departments by holding out the inducement of such compensation.

It is otherwise with one who is impressed into the service upon a single occasion, and who has not chosen to connect himself regularly with the fire department. It seems to have been the express purpose of the Legislature to exclude such persons, and to extend the relief provided by the statutes only to regular members of the fire department, where there is a fire department; the only exception being in favor of persons doing fire duty in towns where there is no such organized fire department.

I am of the opinion, therefore, that, however meritorious the services of the persons in question may have been, they are not entitled to relief from the fund in charge of your Board.

Very truly yours,

HOSEA M. KNOWLTON,

*Attorney-General.*

The intent and meaning of section 4, chapter 177, is thus decided by high legal authority. It is the intention of each member of the Board to conscientiously do his duty to all who are or may be connected with the Massachusetts Firemen's Relief Fund. At times the decisions of the Board (like the Foxborough cases) may be a personal disappointment to some; yet the members recognize their duty, and endeavor to act on principles of justice and equity to the Commonwealth and to the injured firemen.

The records of the Board from its inception have been most methodically kept, and are open at any time for inspection. They are such as to substantiate the wisdom of perpetuating the Firemen's Relief Fund of Massachusetts.

Appended is a tabulated statement, showing amounts allowed during the year for accidents and fatalities in various cities and towns of the Commonwealth, with the causes of the same; also a record of the total disbursements each year from 1890 to June 30, 1901.

Respectfully submitted, for the Board,

J. C. CROMBIE,

*Chairman.*

## STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1901.

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Claims considered, . . . . .	208
Claims allowed, . . . . .	201
Claims rejected, . . . . .	7

The following table shows the number of claims and amount allowed to cities and towns for injured firemen:—

CITY OR TOWN.	Number of Claims.	Amount.	CITY OR TOWN.	Number of Claims.	Amount.
Athol, . . .	1	\$21 00	New Bedford, . .	4	\$152 50
Adams, . . .	1	30 00	Newburyport, . .	3	111 00
Boston, . . .	73	2,163 50	North Adams, . .	3	82 50
Beverly, . . .	1	10 50	North Attleborough,	1	18 00
Brookline, . . .	2	52 00	Pittsfield, . . .	1	34 50
Blackstone, . . .	1	19 50	Peabody, . . .	1	21 00
Clinton, . . .	1	21 00	Pepperell, . . .	1	28 50
Cambridge, . . .	6	115 50	Quincy, . . .	1	45 00
Chicopee, . . .	1	42 00	Revere, . . .	1	67 50
Cohasset, . . .	1	9 00	Randolph, . . .	1	67 50
Dalton, . . .	1	21 00	Springfield, . . .	3	172 00
Fitchburg, . . .	3	131 50	Salem, . . .	4	203 00
Freetown, . . .	1	57 00	Somerville, . . .	6	464 00
Framingham, . . .	1	40 50	Southbridge, . . .	1	15 00
Gloucester, . . .	6	294 00	Stoneham, . . .	1	31 50
Haverhill, . . .	8	255 00	Taunton, . . .	2	16 50
Hudson, . . .	1	15 00	Turners Falls, . .	1	10 50
Lowell, . . .	5	129 50	Woburn, . . .	1	126 00
Lawrence, . . .	2	21 50	Wakefield, . . .	4	126 00
Lynn, . . .	6	176 50	West Springfield, . .	2	10 50
Lexington, . . .	2	31 50	Winchester, . . .	1	37 50
Leominster, . . .	1	24 00	Worcester, . . .	6	163 00
Malden, . . .	1	39 00	Waltham, . . .	12	732 00
Medford, . . .	3	33 00	Watertown, . . .	1	10 50
Marlborough, . . .	1	28 50	Westborough, . .	1	16 50
Millbury, . . .	1	123 00	Webster, . . .	7	66 00

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## CAUSES OF INJURY.

Burns, . . . . .	16	Hit by hydrant stream, . . . . .	2
Breaking of ladder, . . . . .	6	Hook in hand, . . . . .	2
Breaking of axle on hose wagon, . . . . .	1	Hot air explosion, . . . . .	1
Broken ankle, . . . . .	1	Injury right testicle, . . . . .	1
Broken leg, . . . . .	1	Iron rake run in foot, . . . . .	1
Broken wrist, . . . . .	1	Jammed between door and ladder	
Cut by glass, . . . . .	17	truck, . . . . .	1
Cut by tin, . . . . .	1	Nail in foot, . . . . .	2
Collision with a train of the New		Pulled thumb nail off, . . . . .	1
York, New Haven & Hartford		Run over by bicycle, . . . . .	1
Railroad, . . . . .	1	Run over by hose wagon, . . . . .	1
Collision with a street car, . . . . .	1	Rnn over by ladder truck, . . . . .	1
Falling wall, . . . . .	7	Sprained back, . . . . .	6
Falling from ladder, . . . . .	5	Sprained ankle, . . . . .	4
Falling chimney, . . . . .	5	Sprained shoulder, . . . . .	2
Falling down stairs, . . . . .	5	Sprained neck, . . . . .	1
Falling on sidewalk, . . . . .	4	Sprained hand, . . . . .	1
Falling slate, . . . . .	3	Sprained wrist, . . . . .	1
Falling from building, . . . . .	2	Struck by nozzle of pipe, . . . . .	4
Falling from roof, . . . . .	2	Struck by axe, . . . . .	2
Falling timber, . . . . .	2	Struck by hydrant chuck, . . . . .	2
Falling of hydrant gate, . . . . .	1	Struck by cover of sliding pole, . . . . .	1
Falling on hydrant, . . . . .	1	Struck by pole of hose wagon, . . . . .	1
Falling from pile of lumber, . . . . .	1	Struck by a bale of shoddy, . . . . .	1
Falling over line of hose, . . . . .	1	Scalded by steam, . . . . .	1
Falling on ice, . . . . .	1	Stopping runaway horse attached to	
Falling from freight car, . . . . .	1	hose wagon, . . . . .	1
Falling over grate, . . . . .	1	Sliding down pole in engine house, . . . . .	2
Falling of ceiling, . . . . .	1	Thrown from hose wagon, . . . . .	20
Foot caught in railroad crossing, . . . . .	1	Thrown from ladder truck, . . . . .	4
Fractured ribs, . . . . .	1	Thrown from chemical engine, . . . . .	2
Finger injured by door, . . . . .	1	Thrown from engine, . . . . .	2
Gas explosion, . . . . .	2	Thrown from bicycle, . . . . .	2
Giving away of floor, . . . . .	1	Thrown from chief's wagon, . . . . .	1

## CAUSES OF DEATH.

Falling chimney, . . . . .	1
Oil tank explosion, . . . . .	1
Thrown from chemical engine, . . . . .	1



LIST OF CHILDREN UNDER FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE ENTITLED TO BENEFIT FROM THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND, MASSACHUSETTS,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1901.

NAME.	City or Town.	Born.	Time expires.	Period of Time.	Amount.
George J. Gottwald, .	Boston, .	June 1, 1891,	June 1, 1906,	Weeks. 52	\$104 00
Grace E. Gottwald, .	Boston, .	Aug. 8, 1892,	Aug. 8, 1907,	52	104 00
William Gottwald, .	Boston, .	April 27, 1895,	April 27, 1910,	52	104 00
Frederick Gottwald, .	Boston, .	Feb. 12, 1897,	Aug. 12, 1912,	52	104 00
Katherin V. McCarthy, .	Boston, .	Feb. 17, 1887,	Feb. 17, 1902,	52	104 00
Josephine McCarthy, .	Boston, .	July 26, 1891,	July 26, 1906,	52	104 00
Julia V. McCarthy, .	Boston, .	May 25, 1896,	May 25, 1911,	52	104 00
Justin J. McCarthy, .	Boston, .	Jan. 25, 1899,	Jan. 25, 1914,	52	104 00
Catherine C. Victory, .	Boston, .	March 28, 1887,	March 28, 1902,	52	104 00
Elizabeth M. Victory, .	Boston, .	Sept. 20, 1889,	Sept. 20, 1904,	52	104 00
Gertrude L. Victory, .	Boston, .	Aug. 12, 1894,	Aug. 12, 1909,	52	104 00
Wm. H. McDonald, .	Boston, .	April 16, 1896,	April 16, 1911,	52	104 00
Mary F. McDonald, .	Boston, .	Feb. 10, 1898,	Feb. 10, 1913,	52	104 00
Herbert J. Pierce, .	Boston, .	Nov. 19, 1890,	Nov. 19, 1905,	34	68 00
Mabel H. Pierce, .	Boston, .	Feb. 17, 1897,	Feb. 17, 1912,	34	68 00
Phela E. Blackwell, .	Fall River, .	Dec. 18, 1887,	Dec. 18, 1902,	52	\$1,488 00
Edgar H. Josselyn, .	Foxborough, .	Sept. 27, 1888,	Sept. 27, 1903,	52	104 00
George M. Josselyn, .	Foxborough, .	Jan. 3, 1893,	Jan. 3, 1908,	52	104 00
Alfred G. Tolman, .	Hanover, .	Oct. 29, 1891,	Oct. 29, 1906,	52	208 00
Helen J. Tolman, .	Hanover, .	Nov. 23, 1893,	Nov. 23, 1908,	52	208 00

Barbara L. MacMonagle,	.	.	Haverhill,	.	July	5, 1893,	July	5, 1908,	52	\$104 00	104 00
Adelaide C. Donlan,	.	.	Lynn,	.	Aug.	22, 1891,	Aug.	22, 1906,	52	104 00	
Ide M. Moody,	.	.	Lynn,	.	Nov.	18, 1890,	Nov.	18, 1905,	52	104 00	
James J. Murray,	.	.	Lynn,	.	Jan.	26, 1895,	Jan.	26, 1910,	52	104 00	
Mattie C. Skinner,	.	.	Lynn,	.	June	11, 1894,	June	11, 1909,	52	104 00	
Harry B. Tarbox,	.	.	Lynn,	.	Jan.	15, 1888,	Jan.	15, 1903,	52	104 00	
Helen J. Adams,	.	.	Rockland,	.	Dec.	13, 1886,	Dec.	13, 1901,	52	\$104 00	520 00
Opal C. Adams,	.	.	Rockland,	.	May	9, 1889,	May	9, 1904,	52	104 00	
Harold W. Lipsett,	.	.	Somerville,	.	Sept.	28, 1892,	Sept.	28, 1907,	13	\$26 00	
Irene P. Lipsett,	.	.	Somerville,	.	July	7, 1899,	July	7, 1914,	13	26 00	
Amy G. Lipsett,	.	.	Somerville,	.	Jan.	17, 1900,	Jan.	17, 1915,	13	26 00	
Alice A. Dowd,*	.	.	West Medway,	.	Jan	29, 1886,	Jan.	29, 1901,	30		78 00
Fred E. Brigham,	.	.	Worcester,	.	Dec.	3, 1887,	Dec.	3, 1902,	52	\$104 00	60 00
Ruth H. Brigham,	.	.	Worcester,	.	July	24, 1893,	July	24, 1908,	52	104 00	
											208 00
									1,593		\$3,186 00

\* Time expired.

## DISBURSEMENTS FROM JULY 1, 1890, TO JUNE 30, 1901.

For the Year ending June 30.	Expenditure.	Balance in Favor of Commonwealth.
1891, . . . . .	\$5,827 65	\$4,172 35
1892, . . . . .	9,724 10	275 90
1893, . . . . .	8,911 40	1,088 60
1894, . . . . .	8,422 11	1,577 89
1895, . . . . .	9,617 06	382 94
1896, . . . . .	9,406 76	593 24
1897, . . . . .	8,922 47	1,077 53
1898, . . . . .	7,314 63	2,685 37
1899, . . . . .	9,998 62	1 38*
1900, . . . . .	10,008 13	2 87†
1901, . . . . .	10,000 00	-‡

\* Claims to the amount of \$786 carried over to July 1, 1899.

† Claims to the amount of \$773.50 paid from the treasury of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

‡ Claims to the amount of \$741 carried over to July 1, 1901.



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

WORCESTER, MASS., July 1, 1901.

*To the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

I have the honor to present this my eleventh annual report of the receipts and expenditures, as treasurer of the fund for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, appropriated by the State and administered in conformity therewith.

### RECEIPTS.

1900.

July 5. Received of Hon. Edward S. Bradford, Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the benefit of the Firemen's Relief Fund of Massachusetts (chapter 177, Acts of 1892),	\$10,000 00
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### EXPENDITURES.

Paid 2,350 days' injury benefits to call men, at \$1.50 per day,	\$3,525 00
2,491 days' injury benefits to permanent men, at \$1 per day,	2,491 00
3 funeral benefits, at \$100 each,	300 00
1,593 weeks' benefits for minor children, at \$2 per week,	3,186 00
expense account,	498 00
	\$10,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. WILLIAMSON,  
*Treasurer.*

## RULES OF THE BOARD.

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The following rules have been adopted to govern the meetings of the Board and the disbursement of the fund.

J. C. CROMBIE, *Chairman.*

C. S. PAISLER, *Secretary.*

### ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as the "Board of Commissioners of the Firemen's Relief Fund."

SECTION 2. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at the State House, on the first Wednesday of each month, at 1.30 o'clock P.M.

### ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Board shall consist of a chairman and secretary, who shall hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors shall be elected.

SECTION 2. The officers shall be elected by this Board, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for an election.

SECTION 3. At all meetings of the Board a majority shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum shall determine all questions.

SECTION 4. All orders on the treasurer of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association must be signed by the chairman and secretary of this Board.

### ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. *Call Men.* — All firemen known as "call men," or others eligible to the benefits of this fund, as provided for in chapter 177, legislative Acts of 1892, who may become injured in the line of fire duty, shall be entitled to benefits from this fund as follows: at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents for each day while unable to attend to their ordinary business by reason of such injury. Such benefits, arising from any particular injury, shall not continue longer than one hundred days from the date of such injury; but the Board may extend such benefits, if they deem it advisable, and if the amount of the fund at that time will permit it.

*Permanent Men.*—All firemen known as “permanent men,” injured in the line of fire duty, and receiving their regular pay from the city or town during their disability, shall be entitled to benefits from this fund at the rate of one dollar for each day of actual disability, for a period not exceeding one hundred days from date of injury,—except “permanent men” who may become injured in the line of fire duty, and whose compensation or salary received from the city or town is deducted during the term of their disability; such “permanent men” shall be entitled to benefits at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents per day, the same as provided for “call men” in this section.

SECTION 2. In case of death from injury received while in the performance of fire duty, the Board shall pay to each child, under fifteen years of age, of such deceased fireman, two dollars per week in monthly payments.

SECTION 3. All particulars regarding each case where a benefit is required shall be certified and recommended on blank form by the chief or acting chief of each fire department and commanding officer of company; and in case of protective departments by the commanding officer of the department; or, if there is no organized fire department, by a majority of the selectmen. In all cases the physician who attended the injured applicant must make an affidavit.

SECTION 4. Applications for relief or benefits shall be made to the secretary of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him for that purpose, and they shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury; but said time for making such applications may be extended by the Board, for good cause shown.

SECTION 5. If the applicant in any case fails to obtain the signature or certificate of any person or officer necessary to enable him to conform to the requirements of the prescribed forms, he shall make a written application for relief to the commissioners, who are empowered to make any order that in their opinion justice may require.

SECTION 6. All applications for relief or benefits, when adjusted by the Board, shall be retained by the treasurer of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE TO CHIEFS OF DEPARTMENTS.

The attention of chiefs of departments is particularly called to article III., section 1, of these rules; and, in signing the certificates, the chief will designate whether the applicant is a “call man” or a “permanent man” in the department.

## LEGISLATION.

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[CHAPTER 177, ACTS OF 1892.]

AN ACT APPROPRIATING TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ANNUALLY FOR  
THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Before the first day of July in each year there shall be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to the treasurer of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association the sum of ten thousand dollars. Said sum shall be paid from the moneys received for taxes from fire insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

SECTION 2. The money so paid to said treasurer shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Relief Fund of Massachusetts, and shall be used as a fund for the relief of firemen, whether members of said association or not, who may be injured while responding to, working at or returning from an alarm of fire, and for the relief of the widows and children of such firemen as may be killed in the line of their duty aforesaid, in such manner and in such sums as a board, to consist of five persons, two of whom shall be appointed by the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association and three of whom shall be appointed by the governor, shall determine; the appointees of the governor shall not be members of said association.

SECTION 3. The treasurer of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association shall give a bond with good and sufficient sureties to the treasurer of the Commonwealth, in double the sum received by him from said treasurer, for the faithful performance of his duties under this act; and shall make a detailed report under oath to the treasurer of the Commonwealth of expenditures of the appropriation made under this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July in each year.

SECTION 4. The officers and members in active service of all incorporated protective departments acting in concert with fire departments, also any person doing fire duty at the request, or upon the order of the authorities of any town having no organ-

ized fire department, and any person performing the duties of a fireman in a town having no organized fire department, shall be eligible for benefits from this fund.

SECTION 5. All unexpended moneys received under this act by the said Massachusetts State Firemen's Association shall be returned to the treasurer of the Commonwealth on or before the fifteenth day of July in each year.

SECTION 6. Five hundred dollars out of the amount hereby appropriated may be allowed for incidental expenses of the disbursing board, but otherwise no part of said ten thousand dollars shall be expended for salaries or any expenses except as provided in this act.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [*Approved April 19, 1892.*]

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[CHAPTER 375, ACTS OF 1894.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BOND OF THE TREASURER OF THE  
MASSACHUSETTS STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section three of chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two is hereby amended by striking out in the fourth line, the words "double the sum received by him from said treasurer", and inserting in place thereof the words: — the sum of ten thousand dollars, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 3.* The treasurer of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association shall give a bond with good and sufficient sureties to the treasurer of the Commonwealth, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, for the faithful performance of his duties under this act; and shall make a detailed report under oath to the treasurer of the Commonwealth of expenditures of the appropriation made under this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July in each year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [*Approved May 12, 1894.*]

